

Milkfat Prices

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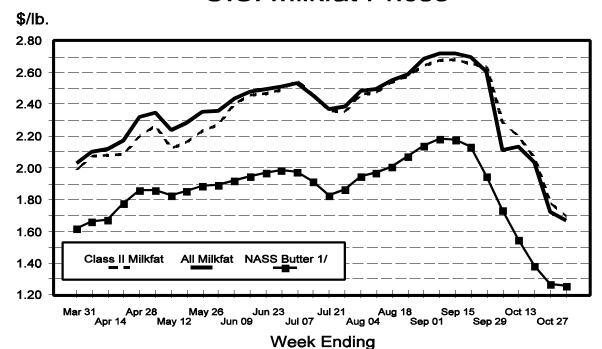
Milkfat prices received for sweet cream with a fat content of 38 to 50 percent for the weeks ending November 3 and October 27 are as follows, respectively: Class II \$1.69, \$1.78; and All Classes \$1.67, \$1.72.

Milkfat Prices, United States

Class	Week Ending					
	Nov 3, 2001	Oct 27, 2001	Oct 20, 2001 ¹	Oct 13, 2001 ¹	Oct 6, 2001 ¹	Sep 29 2001 ¹
	Dol./Lb.	Dol./Lb.	Dol./Lb.	Dol./Lb.	Dol./Lb.	Dol./Lb.
Class II Avg. Price ²	1.6934	1.7791	2.0645	2.2000	2.2884	2.6372
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
Milkfat ³						
Purchases	1,379,633	1,420,828	2,408,910	2,594,250	2,176,071	3,347,157
	Dol./Lb.	Dol./Lb.	Dol./Lb.	Dol./Lb.	Dol./Lb.	Dol./Lb.
All Classes Avg. Price ²	1.6692	1.7226	2.0348	2.1348	2.1133	2.6058
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
Milkfat ³						
Purchases	3,938,430	3,592,639	5,267,284	5,447,337	5,348,740	7,000,452

¹ Revised.

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1/ NASS Butter prices available from the Dairy Products Prices Release.

² Prices weighted by volumes reported.

³ Purchases as reported by participating manufacturers.

Procedures and Reliability: Price information included in this report is provided each week by "end-users" of milkfat. These "end-users" typically produce ice cream mix, cream cheese, butter, or processed cheese. Data are collected by fax and electronic mail every two weeks. Prices are to be f.o.b. point of origin (plant door). The data excludes the following items:

- 1) Transportation and clearing costs.
- 2) Intra-company purchases.
- 3) Purchases of milkfat to be resold.
- 4) Forward pricing purchases in which the price was set (and not adjusted) 30 or more days before the transaction was completed.

A transaction is complete when the milkfat is "received" and title transfer occurs.

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